


APRIL 2022 PROGRAMS

Public programs are free however, parking fees are collected year-round to support park operations. Purchase day passes for \$8 MA license plate, \$30 out-of-state-plate with MC/VISA at pay & display machines in the parking lots or use the YODEL website: massdcrparks.yodelpass.com for daily and annual digital park pass purchase. **No cash sales.** Free WiFi (MassIT-Public) at the Visitor Center. Advance purchase of passes does not guarantee parking availability.

Children must be accompanied by a supervising adult. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. **No dogs allowed on park premises year-round.**

All organized group visitations require advanced reservations. To arrange group visitation: walden.programs@mass.gov or (978)405-2082.

During warm weather and holidays, the park closes frequently, to protect the resource. Check park hours and capacity closure status updates.

Daily 10:00am-4:00pm	Visitor Center Thoreau Exhibits, <i>Walden</i> Ken Burns film and Art Gallery Come discover the life and legacy of Henry David Thoreau at Walden Pond through exhibits, art exhibition and film. The 22-minute film shows every 1/2 hour. Visit the Gallery to enjoy artwork by local artist Richard T. Brady. 
Sundays Thursdays and Fridays No programs April 1, 8, 15, 17	Thoreau's Stay at Walden 10:00am-noon, Meet at the Replica - all ages Explore the Thoreau House Replica by the main parking lot to learn about the poet/naturalist's life in the woods during. Drop-in, 10 minute chat with a Park Interpreter. Program ongoing. Topics include: Thoreau's experiment in simple deliberate living, debunking Thoreau myths, and Thoreau's writings about former inhabitants along the Walden road.
Daily 7:00am-4:00pm	Self-guided StoryWalk® Family fun on the <i>Woods Path</i> trail for all ages <i>Spectacular Spring</i> by Bruce Goldstone Step into spring with colorful pages blossoming with fun facts about our natural world! This picture book is posted on the accessible <i>Woods Path</i> . An easy 1/2 mile trail, on a crushed stone surface, takes 15 minutes each way. <small>The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.</small>
Sundays April 10 & 24 Thursday April 21	Signs of Spring Saunter 1:00pm-2:30pm, Meet at the Visitor Center - all ages Explore new growth as plants respond to increased daylight. Use your senses, look for signs, and listen to sounds of spring as Walden awakens on this easy one-mile guided stroll in the woods with a Park Interpreter. Dress for the weather. Sturdy footwear, water and insect repellent are recommended.

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SPRING SCHOOL VACATION PROGRAMS

JUMP INTO SPRING!

For outdoor walking programs dress for the weather. Sturdy footwear, water, and insect repellent are recommended.

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| April 17-24 | Rings of Influence: Exploration Station
10:00am-5:00pm, Visitor Center - all ages
Discover how Thoreau's influence has grown to inspire generations of conservationists to protect our natural resources. Decorate a "tree cookie" as a memento of your visit. |  |
| April 19-24 | Earth Day Mural
10:00am-5:00pm, at the Visitor Center - all ages
Add your environmental artwork or Earth Day wish to this colorful display panel! |  |
| Monday
April 18 and
Thursday
April 21 | Signs of Spring Saunter
1:00pm-2:30pm, Meet at the Visitor Center - all ages
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| Monday
April 18 | Kiddleidoscope
10:00am-11:00am, Visitor Center Deck
best for ages 3-8 accompanied by an adult
Discover through stories, songs, and activities how different types of Walden birds lay their eggs in different places. We will build bird nests using only natural materials we find outside. All materials will be returned to nature and left at the park. |  |
| Monday
April 18 | Flags in Thoreau's Time
10:00am-5:00pm, at the Visitor Center - all ages
In celebration of Patriot's Day view this special wall display of American flags highlighting benchmarks from Thoreau's life. Get a flag craft at the front desk to make at home. |  |
| Wednesday
April 20 and
Saturday
April 23 | Vital Vernal Pools Walk
1:00pm-2:30pm, Meet at the Visitor Center - ages 8+
Explore Walden's ephemeral spring pools, nature's nursery on this moderate one-mile walk guided walk with a Park Interpreter. | |
| Friday
April 22 | Beavers are Back - Heywood's Hike!
1:00pm-2:30pm, Meet at the Visitor Center - all ages
Learn about Beaver habitats on a guided walk to secluded Heywood's Meadow. Look for signs of these fascinating animals, once hunted near extinction for their fur. | |



More self-guided opportunities:

<https://www.mass.gov/location-details/walden-pond-state-reservation-interpretive-programs> or scan code